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Applicants hereby petition for the withdrawal of this application from issue under 37 CFR § 1.313 (c)(2).

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The issue fee for this case was paid on December 19, 2002.

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REASON FOR WITHDRAWAL REQUES

The reason for withdrawal from issue of this application is for consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement in a Request for Continued Examination.

> FILING OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION **UNDER 37 CFR & 1.114**

A Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 is being submitted via facsimile with this petition. The RCE Transmittal paper and Information Disclosure Statement are attached.





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